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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 I CERTIFY THAT ON January 9, 2006, THIS PAPER IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2005, for one month from December 9, 2005, to January 9, 2006.

Enclosed is a check for \$60.00 (small entity). Please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1775.

Respectfully Submitted,

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